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Environmental Quality Service Council

IDEM Cost of Service and Revenues August 4, 2011

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Agenda

- How IDEM funds its work
- Revenues Compared to Costs
- Impact of Revenues on Agency Activities
- Accomplishing More with Less
- How Should Programs Be Funded?



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Funding Sources

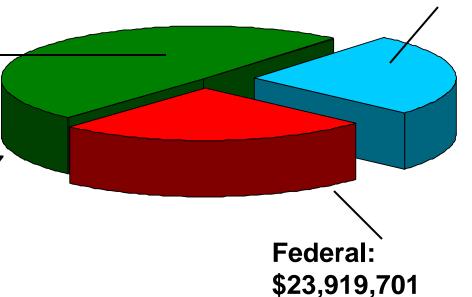
(Budgeted Amounts)

FY 2012 - \$93,025,368*

General: \$24,338,601

*Dedicated: \$44,767,066

*Does not include \$41,617,347 for claims under the Excess Liability Trust Fund (ELTF)





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Dedicated Fund Appropriations

- Program Areas: \$44,767,066 (88.5%).
 - Air: \$13,341,449.
 - Water: \$9,765,901.
 - Land: \$14,085,888.
 - OPPTA: \$1,758,961.
- Agency Support: \$5,814,867 (11.5%).
 - Legal: \$1,109,985.
 - Community Relations: \$1,081,089.
 - Administration: \$3,623,792.
- ELTF: \$41,617,347.
 - 11% of ELTF is used to pay for the expenses IDEM incurs in:
 - · Paying and administering claims against the fund.
 - Inspecting underground storage tanks.
 - Establishing and implementing an underground storage tank operator training program.



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Hazardous Substance Response Trust Fund

- The balance in FY 98 was \$34 million, at the end of FY10 it was \$6.1 million.
 - \$6.1 million does not include IDEM's Superfund Match obligation to EPA: For example, over next 10 years IDEM is committed to spend \$13.5 million on the Jacobsville Superfund site.
- Used to provide state match to Superfund cleanups, fund the State Clean Up program and emergency response activities.
- Funded by tax on hazardous waste disposal,
 - Revenue has fallen from \$6.7 million in FY 06-09 to roughly \$2.5 million per year now.



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Revenues

- Aside from a few program areas, fees have not changed for more than 16 years.
- While Revenues have not increased the Consumer Price Index has increased by 39.96%.
 - Areas where fees have increased:
 - 2003 legislature increased fees for Drinking Water systems.
 - 2005 the Excess Liability Trust Fund received a fee increase from 0.8 cent to 1 cent per gallon of gasoline and a new 1 cent per gallon fee on diesel fuel.
 - 2006 the Air Pollution Control Board increased Title V air permits by 25%.
 - Between \$2.5 \$3.0 million increase to regulated entities.



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Revenues

- Permitting Programs that charge little or no fees:
 - 401 Water Quality Certifications: \$0.
 - Stormwater:
 - Rule 5: \$100.
 - Rules 6: \$50 application fee; \$100 annual fee.
 - Rule 13: \$50.
 - Drinking Water / Operator Certification: \$30.
 - CAFO: \$300 New Application; \$100 Permit Modification.
 - CFO: \$100.
 - Land Application: \$0.
 - New legislation allows IDEM to charge fee related to the cost of issuing the permit.



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NPDES Program Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	Federal	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$12,692,036	\$1,890,034	\$5,934,159	\$5,346,593	\$4,154,475

- Dedicated Fund Expenses Exceed Program
 Revenue by \$1,192,118 per year.
- Annual Number of permits issued: 300.
- Number of General Permit Holders: 4,000.
- Annual Number of facilities inspected: 1,100.



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Wetland/Water Quality Certification Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	Federal	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$474,323	\$474,323	\$0	\$0	\$0

Annual Number of permits issued: 650.



Drinking Water Program & Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	Federal	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$4,673,663	\$1,881,101	\$371,290	\$2,597,565	\$2,298,349

- Dedicated Fund Expenses Exceed Program Revenue by \$299,216 per year.
- Number of Drinking Water Systems: 4,212:
 - Community: 812.
 - Transient: 2,826.
 - Non-Community/Non-Transient: 574.
- Annual Number of Inspections: 900.



Solid Waste Program Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$4,974,672	\$2,221,388	\$2,753,284	\$2,390,125

- Dedicated Fund Expenses Exceed Program Revenue by \$363,259 per year.
- Annual Number of permits issued: 340.
- Number of Facilities Regulated: 1,069.
- Annual Number of Inspections: 1,429.



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Hazardous Waste Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	Federal	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$8,440,937	\$2,993,143	\$2,319,283	\$3,128,511	\$1,242,619

- Dedicated Fund Expenses Exceed Program Revenue by \$1,885,892 per year.
- Permit Review, renewal, modifications and Corrective action plan reviews: 375.
- Number of Facilities Regulated: 1,551.
- Annual Number of Inspections: 808.



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CAFO/CFO Program Costs and Revenue

Budgeted	General Fund	Dedicated	Revenue
\$1,200,000	\$450,000	\$750,000	\$36,375

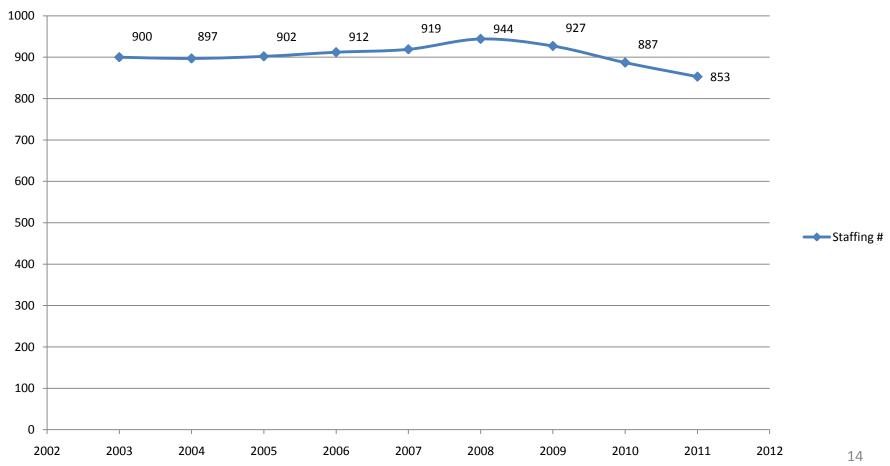
- Dedicated Fund Expenses Exceed Program Revenue by \$713,625 per year.
- Annual Number of permits issued: 121.
- Annual Number of Permit renewals: 435.
- Number of Facilities Regulated: 2,239.
- Annual Number of Inspections: 611.



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Staffing Changes at IDEM





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Increased Program Workload

- Brought ELTF claim review in-house.
- Developed Storm Water Program:
 - Federally required expansion of storm water construction Program.
 - Federally required Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) program.
- Auto Salvage Recognition and Compliance Program.
- Brought Air Permitting in-house.
- Assumed workload of six local air agencies.
- Increased frequency of UST inspections.



How Have the Programs Been Affected?

 All offices continue to perform basic core functions of permitting, inspection and remediation oversight.

 Each office has reduced their activities in some specific areas.



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How Have the Programs Been Affected?

- Office of Water Quality
 - Wetland Program does not verify whether mitigation is successful and responds only to complaints.
 - Drinking Water Small System Laboratory Assistance Program scaled back.
 - Assistance to small wastewater systems is reduced.
 - Staffing level (1FTE) for pretreatment program allow only limited auditing of programs.



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How Have The Programs Been Affected?

- Office of Land Quality
 - No longer routinely do split sampling with sites required to monitor groundwater.
 - Less field verification of remediation activities.



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Accomplishing More with Less

- Greater Efficiencies:
 - Kaizen events resulting in streamlined processes.
 - Development of IT initiatives, Virtual File Cabinet, TEMPO, Digital Inspector.
 - Independent Closure Process for Low Priority State Clean up Sites.
 - Brought ELTF claim review in-house and saving the fund > \$1,000,000 per year.



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How Should Environmental Programs Be Funded?

- Current funding system has resulted in using funds for activities not originally anticipated when the funds were established.
 - Example: CFO program is funded through the Solid Waste Program, which was not established as a funding mechanism for the CFO program.



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How Should Environmental Programs Be Funded?

- There are also multiple ways that programs are funded.
 - Example: Title V Program vs. ELTF Program
- Title V Program
 - The Clean Air Act requires that 100% of the funding come from the regulated entity.
- ELTF Program
 - ELTF is funded primarily by the general public through a tax on motor vehicle fuels.



How Should Environmental Programs Be Funded?

- Should the activities creating the need for the program pay the cost of the program?
 - Example: WWTP fees on discharges.
 - When the discharger is a municipality, individual taxpayers receiving wastewater treatment services are charged for the cost of any discharge fees imposed on the WWTP by IDEM.
 - These same taxpayers would pay some portion of any General Fund appropriation in lieu of a fee.



How Should Environmental Programs Be Funded?

- Should the general public, who benefits from a clean environment, pay for some or all of the cost of a clean environment?
 - Example: Those on septic systems and those that apply certain lawn fertilizers sometimes create water pollution concerns, yet do not pay a permit fee towards the cost of a clean environment.
 - These people do contribute to the General Fund.



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